

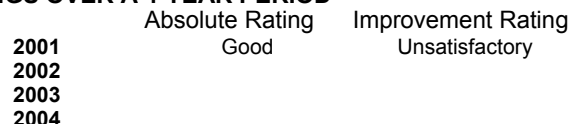
ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 88.

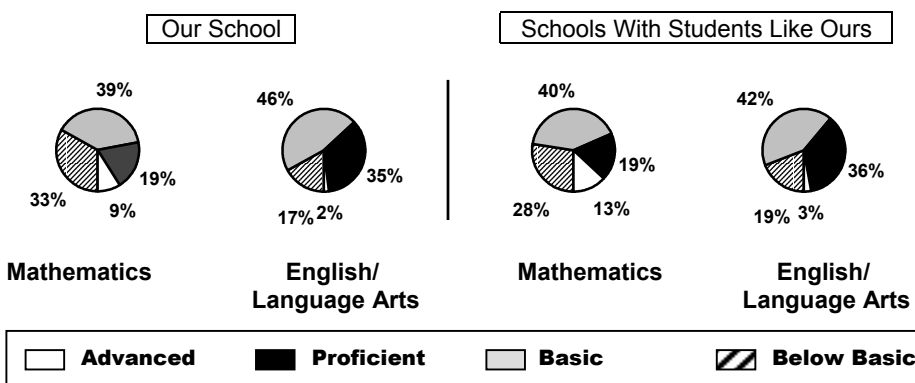
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=100)	83	67	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=4)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=96)	86.5	68.4		
Gender				
Male (n=46)	71.7	65.2		
Female (n=54)	92.6	69.8		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=29)	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=71)	85.9	75.7		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=51)	80.4	64		
Pay for lunch (n=49)	85.7	71.4		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,052	N/A	\$5,123	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	86.3%	Down from 91.5%	90.8%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	13.9 to 1	N/A	19.1 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=279)				
• Attendance Rate	91.7%	Down from 99.6%	96.2%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	0%	N/A	3.6%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	0%	N/A	2.4%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	100%	Up from 93.3%	96%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	7.2%	N/A	3.3%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=21)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	8.5 Days	Up from 7.7	7.7 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	95.7%	Up from 93.4%	95.6%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	28.6%	Down from 47.1%	48.6%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	85.7%	Down from 88.9%	84.6%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	4.8%	Up from 0%	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	N/A	N/A	88.5%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$36,469	Up 10.3%	\$38,045	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	69.6%	N/A	64.4%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	2	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	99%	N/A	97%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	N/A	N/A	41.5%	43.1%
• On academic probation	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	2.5%	Up from 1%	1%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	0	N/A	0	1
• Gifted and talented	9.2%	Up from 8.7%	14.9%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	6.2%	Up from 4.7%	8.7%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The School District of Calhoun County opened a child development center in the Sandy Run Community of Calhoun County at the beginning of the 1994-95 school year. This center enrolled twenty pre-school and kindergarten students during the first year of operation. The Sandy Run Center, as it came to be known, operated as an extended campus of Bethlehem Elementary School. Over the three years that followed, our student population and grade-level offerings increased significantly.

During the summer of 1997, land was purchased for a permanent school facility and approval was given to plan a permanent facility. We began classes at the new school location in September 1997, enrolling 128 students in grades one through five. We continued to add grade levels and our student population continued to increase.

On April 15, 1999, the South Carolina State Department of Education approved our request to recognize The Sandy Run Center as a new school. In August 1999, The Sandy Run Center separated from Bethlehem Elementary School and became known as Sandy Run Elementary School. During this period of time (August 1994 until May 2001), all our classrooms and other facilities have been housed in mobile, temporary units.

We began construction of Phase I of our permanent facility in April 2000. Phase I consists of an administrative office area, food service area, media center, special education center, communications center, and related arts instructional areas. Phase I is now complete and will be occupied during the summer of 2001. Construction of Phase II, consisting of fourteen classrooms, began in May 2001. Phase II is scheduled for completion in September 2001.

Sandy Run has received overwhelming support from the community. Many business/community/educational partnerships have been formed. These partnerships allow our school to be more effective in serving the needs of our students and community.

We are very proud of our student achievement! The vast majority of our students taking the PACT during the first two administrations of PACT have scored ABOVE STANDARD. We look forward to continued success in the years to come.

Edmond L. Nelson, Jr.
Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	N/A	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	N/A	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Sandy Run Elementary
HCR064, Box 163
Swansea, SC 29160

Grades PK-8 Elementary School

Enrollment: 279 Students

Principal

Mr. Edmond Nelson 803-791-8866

Superintendent

Paula Harris 803-655-7310

Board Chair

Gary Porth 803-823-2500

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001



School Grade:
Average

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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